GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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SHORTAGE OF SSC OFFICERS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Armed Forces is facing shortage of Short Service Commissioned (SSC) officers in Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to extend the tenure of the existing SSC Medical Officers and also to recruit more officers in the near future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): At present shortage of Medical Officers, Dental Officers and Military Nursing Officers with reference to the authorized strength in the Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) is as under:-

Service	Shortage
Medical Officers	138
Dental Officers	58
Military Nursing Officers	230

(c) & (d): Government has already extended the tenure of Short Service Commissioned Officers in the Armed Forces Medical Services from 10 years to 14 years. Recruitment of officers in AFMS is an on going process.